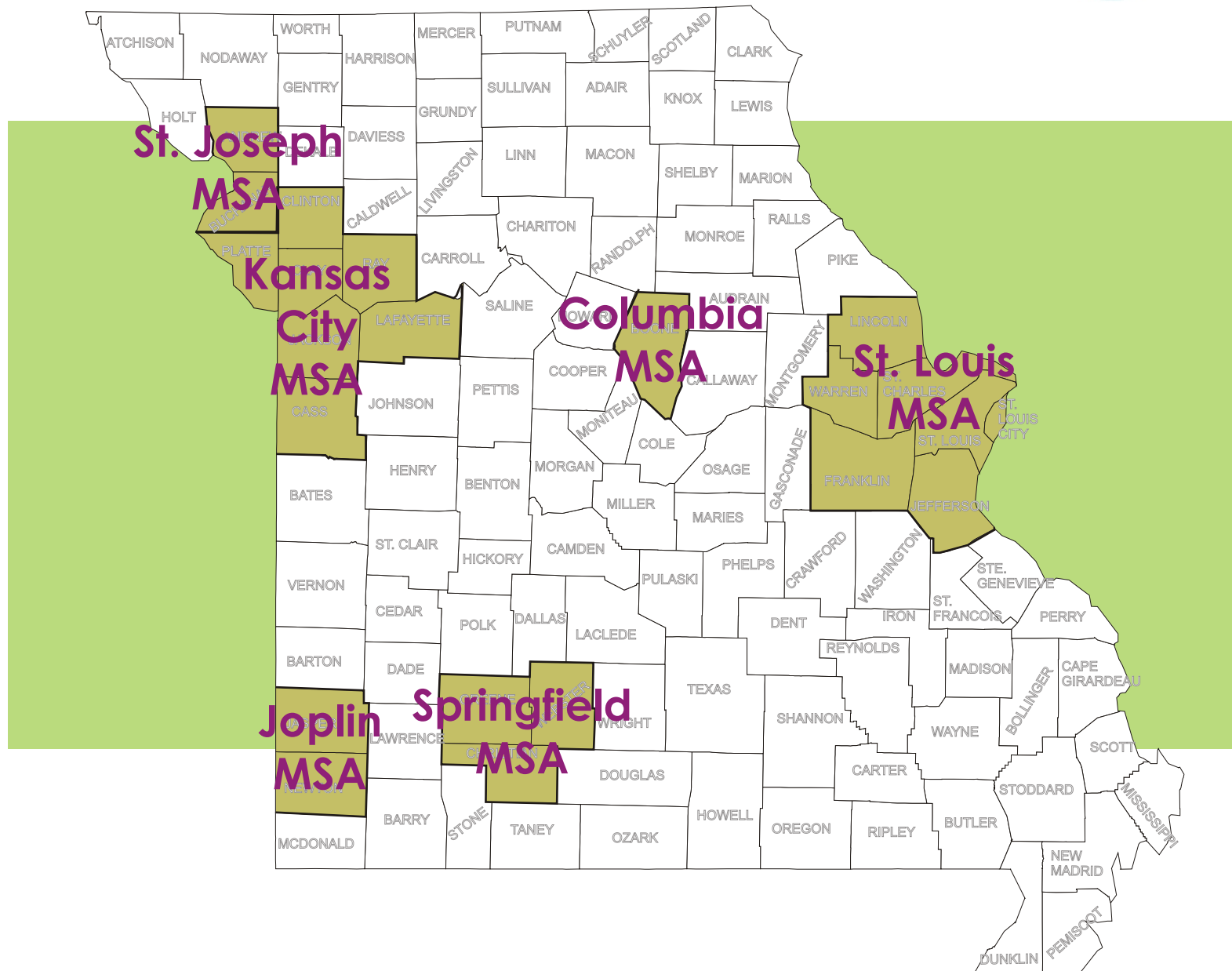


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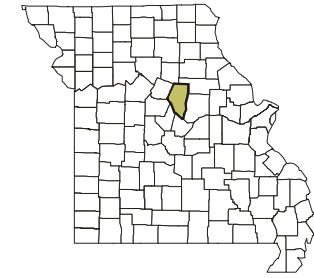


Columbia MSA Fact Sheet

Missouri Counties Included: Boone

Total MSA Rank

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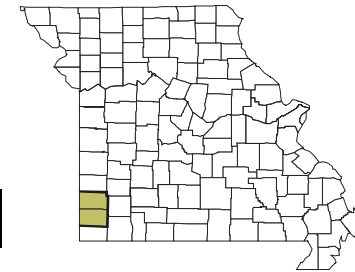
Measure (Data Definitions)	Columbia MSA Rate	MSA Rank Total=6	State Rate
General:			
Unemployment	1.78%	1	4.70%
Percent of Poverty	14.52%	6	11.74%
Per Capita Income	\$26,568	6	\$26,404
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	29.80%	3	28.95%
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	30.43%	2	34.81%
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	2.61%	1	3.90%
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	77.73%	2	81.38%
Health Care:			
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	30.79%	3	32.64%
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	6.76%	1	8.91%
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	\$587	1	\$716
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	33.28%	2	40.53%
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	16.24%	4	14.96%
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	24.01%	3	25.43%
Children:			
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	35.89	2	39.02
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	38.96	2	45.25
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	15.63	4	13.04
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	221.38	4	172.29
Self Sufficiency:			
Per Capita TANF Payments	\$19.72	3	\$25.47
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	\$62.53	3	\$68.80
Per Capita Child Care Payments	\$43.33	6	\$23.40
Per Capita Child Support Collections	\$57.89	1	\$72.05

Joplin MSA Fact Sheet

Missouri Counties Included: Jasper and Newton

Total MSA Rank

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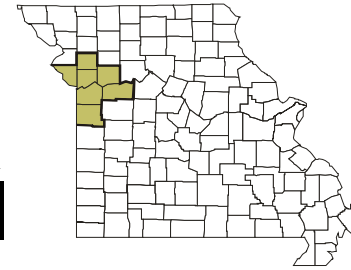
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General:			
Unemployment	4.43%	4	4.70%
Percent of Poverty	13.52%	5	11.74%
Per Capita Income	\$20,512	1	\$26,404
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	27.77%	2	28.95%
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	34.98%	3	34.81%
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	4.53%	5	3.90%
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	77.49%	1	81.38%
Health Care:			
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	37.61%	6	32.64%
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	11.19%	6	8.91%
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	\$836	6	\$716
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	54.73%	6	40.53%
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	18.32%	6	14.96%
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	27.60%	5	25.43%
Children:			
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	111.18	6	39.02
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	163.05	6	45.25
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	47.83	6	13.04
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	454.75	6	172.29
Self Sufficiency:			
Per Capita TANF Payments	\$37.75	6	\$25.47
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	\$133.73	6	\$68.80
Per Capita Child Care Payments	\$24.94	3	\$23.40
Per Capita Child Support Collections	\$157.40	6	\$72.05

Kansas City MSA Fact Sheet

Missouri Counties Included: Cass, Clay, Clinton, Jackson, Lafayette, Platte, and Ray

Total MSA Rank

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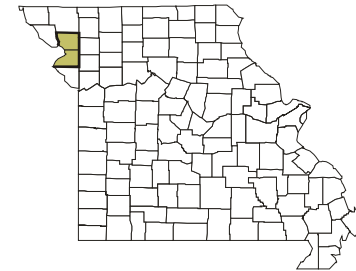
Measure (Data Definitions)	Kansas City MSA Rate	MSA Rank Total=6	State Rate
General:			
Unemployment	4.29%	3	4.70%
Percent of Poverty	9.59%	2	11.74%
Per Capita Income	\$25,504	4	\$26,404
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	31.76%	6	28.95%
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	37.83%	5	34.81%
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	3.95%	4	3.90%
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	79.35%	3	81.38%
Health Care:			
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	29.73%	2	32.64%
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	7.13%	2	8.91%
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	\$598	3	\$716
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	36.13%	3	40.53%
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	14.11%	2	14.96%
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	21.34%	1	25.43%
Children:			
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	36.85	3	39.02
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	44.24	3	45.25
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	9.51	1	13.04
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	111.67	1	172.29
Self Sufficiency:			
Per Capita TANF Payments	\$26.22	4	\$25.47
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	\$55.41	1	\$68.80
Per Capita Child Care Payments	\$24.40	2	\$23.40
Per Capita Child Support Collections	\$82.06	4	\$72.05

St. Joseph MSA Fact Sheet

Missouri Counties Included: Andrew and Buchanan

Total MSA Rank

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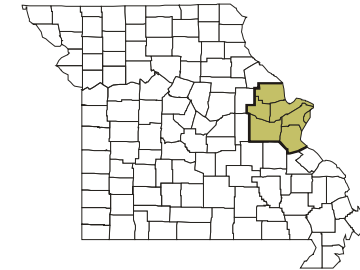
Measure (Data Definitions)	St. Joseph MSA Rate	MSA Rank Total=6	State Rate
General:			
Unemployment	5.19%	6	4.70%
Percent of Poverty	11.57%	3	11.74%
Per Capita Income	\$23,341	3	\$26,404
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	30.09%	4	28.95%
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	39.35%	6	34.81%
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	5.09%	6	3.90%
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	88.18%	6	81.38%
Health Care:			
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	30.97%	4	32.64%
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	9.31%	5	8.91%
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	\$769	5	\$716
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	46.34%	5	40.53%
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	15.71%	3	14.96%
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	33.31%	6	25.43%
Children:			
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	54.38	5	39.02
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	67.83	5	45.25
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	10.80	2	13.04
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	237.47	5	172.29
Self Sufficiency:			
Per Capita TANF Payments	\$17.62	2	\$25.47
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	\$64.80	4	\$68.80
Per Capita Child Care Payments	\$25.50	4	\$23.40
Per Capita Child Support Collections	\$132.42	5	\$72.05

St. Louis MSA Fact Sheet

Missouri Counties Included: Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, St. Charles, St. Louis, St. Louis City, and Warren

Total MSA Rank

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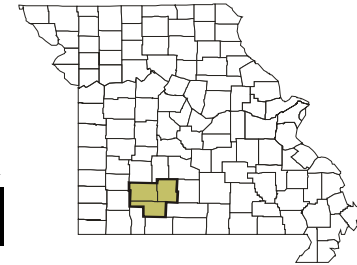
Measure (Data Definitions)	St. Louis MSA Rate	MSA Rank Total=6	State Rate
General:			
Unemployment	4.62%	5	4.70%
Percent of Poverty	9.56%	1	11.74%
Per Capita Income	\$25,970	5	\$26,404
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	30.30%	5	28.95%
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	35.39%	4	34.81%
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	3.53%	3	3.90%
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	80.39%	5	81.38%
Health Care:			
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	28.69%	1	32.64%
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	7.47%	3	8.91%
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	\$593	2	\$716
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	31.28%	1	40.53%
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	12.73%	1	14.96%
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	22.12%	2	25.43%
Children:			
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	25.45	1	39.02
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	35.15	1	45.25
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	13.47	3	13.04
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	172.97	2	172.29
Self Sufficiency:			
Per Capita TANF Payments	\$31.96	5	\$25.47
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	\$69.62	5	\$68.80
Per Capita Child Care Payments	\$32.93	5	\$23.40
Per Capita Child Support Collections	\$63.11	2	\$72.05

Springfield MSA Fact Sheet

Missouri Counties Included: Christian, Greene, and Webster

Total MSA Rank

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Measure (Data Definitions)	Springfield MSA Rate	MSA Rank Total=6	State Rate
General:			
Unemployment	3.47%	2	4.70%
Percent of Poverty	11.82%	4	11.74%
Per Capita Income	\$21,209	2	\$26,404
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	26.52%	1	28.95%
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	28.71%	1	34.81%
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	3.45%	2	3.90%
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	79.97%	4	81.38%
Health Care:			
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	31.42%	5	32.64%
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	8.66%	4	8.91%
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	\$634	4	\$716
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	43.93%	4	40.53%
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	16.44%	5	14.96%
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	27.50%	4	25.43%
Children:			
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	45.44	4	39.02
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	46.22	4	45.25
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	16.46	5	13.04
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	195.12	3	172.29
Self Sufficiency:			
Per Capita TANF Payments	\$14.49	1	\$25.47
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	\$58.72	2	\$68.80
Per Capita Child Care Payments	\$15.28	1	\$23.40
Per Capita Child Support Collections	\$64.17	3	\$72.05

Total Ranking of General Measures by MSA

Total MSA Rank	MSA	MSA Rankings for Individual General Measures						
		Unemployment	Percent of Poverty	Per Capita Income	Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	Percent of Population with High School Graduation
1	Springfield MSA	2	4	2	1	1	2	4
2	Kansas City MSA	3	2	4	6	5	4	3
3	St. Louis MSA	5	1	5	5	4	3	5
4	St. Joseph MSA	6	3	3	4	6	6	6
5	Columbia MSA	1	6	6	3	2	1	2
6	Joplin MSA	4	5	1	2	3	5	1

Unemployment Ranked by MSA

Rank	County	Unemployment Rate
1	Columbia MSA	1.78%
2	Springfield MSA	3.47%
3	Kansas City MSA	4.29%
4	Joplin MSA	4.43%
5	St. Louis MSA	4.62%
6	St. Joseph MSA	5.19%

Percentage of Persons in Poverty by MSA

Rank	County	Poverty Rate
1	St. Louis MSA	9.56%
2	Kansas City MSA	9.59%
3	St. Joseph MSA	11.57%
4	Springfield MSA	11.82%
5	Joplin MSA	13.52%
6	Columbia MSA	14.52%

Income Per Capita by MSA

Rank	County	Income Per Capita
1	Joplin MSA	\$20,512
2	Springfield MSA	\$21,209
3	St. Joseph MSA	\$23,341
4	Kansas City MSA	\$25,504
5	St. Louis MSA	\$25,970
6	Columbia MSA	\$26,568

Percentage of Households with Children Under 18 with Single Parents by MSA

Rank	County	Single Parent Household Rate
1	Springfield MSA	26.52%
2	Joplin MSA	27.77%
3	Columbia MSA	29.80%
4	St. Joseph MSA	30.09%
5	St. Louis MSA	30.30%
6	Kansas City MSA	31.76%

Percentage of Births to Unmarried Mothers by MSA

Rank	County	Unwed Births Rate
1	Springfield MSA	28.71%
2	Columbia MSA	30.43%
3	Joplin MSA	34.98%
4	St. Louis MSA	35.39%
5	Kansas City MSA	37.83%
6	St. Joseph MSA	39.35%

Percentage of Births to Mothers Ages Under 18 by MSA

Rank	County	Teen Births Rate
1	Columbia MSA	2.61%
2	Springfield MSA	3.45%
3	St. Louis MSA	3.53%
4	Kansas City MSA	3.95%
5	Joplin MSA	4.53%
6	St. Joseph MSA	5.09%

Percentage of High School Graduation by MSA

Rank	County	HS Graduation Rate
1	Joplin MSA	77.49%
2	Columbia MSA	77.73%
3	Kansas City MSA	79.35%
4	Springfield MSA	79.97%
5	St. Louis MSA	80.39%
6	St. Joseph MSA	88.18%

Percentage of Children under Age 19 Participating in Medicaid by MSA

Rank	County	Medicaid Child Participation Rate
1	St. Louis MSA	28.69%
2	Kansas City MSA	29.73%
3	Columbia MSA	30.79%
4	St. Joseph MSA	30.97%
5	Springfield MSA	31.42%
6	Joplin MSA	37.61%

**Percentage of Adults Ages 19 to 64
Participating in Medicaid by MSA**

Rank	County	Medicaid Adult Participation Rate
1	Columbia MSA	6.76%
2	Kansas City MSA	7.13%
3	St. Louis MSA	7.47%
4	Springfield MSA	8.66%
5	St. Joseph MSA	9.31%
6	Joplin MSA	11.19%

Medicaid Dollars Spent per Capita by MSA

Rank	County	Medicaid Dollars Spent per Capita
1	Columbia MSA	\$587
2	St. Louis MSA	\$593
3	Kansas City MSA	\$598
4	Springfield MSA	\$634
5	St. Joseph MSA	\$769
6	Joplin MSA	\$836

**Percentage of Births Paid for By Medicaid
by MSA**

Rank	County	Medicaid Births Rate
1	St. Louis MSA	31.28%
2	Columbia MSA	33.28%
3	Kansas City MSA	36.13%
4	Springfield MSA	43.93%
5	St. Joseph MSA	46.34%
6	Joplin MSA	54.73%

**Percentage of Inpatient Hospitalizations
Paid By Medicaid by MSA**

Rank	County	Medicaid Inpatient Hospitalization Rate
1	St. Louis MSA	12.73%
2	Kansas City MSA	14.11%
3	St. Joseph MSA	15.71%
4	Columbia MSA	16.24%
5	Springfield MSA	16.44%
6	Joplin MSA	18.32%

Percentage of Emergency Room Visits Paid By Medicaid by MSA

Rank	County	Medicaid Emergency Room Rate
1	Kansas City MSA	21.34%
2	St. Louis MSA	22.12%
3	Columbia MSA	24.01%
4	Springfield MSA	27.50%
5	Joplin MSA	27.60%
6	St. Joseph MSA	33.31%

Hotline Calls for Child Abuse and/or Neglect per 1,000 children by MSA

Rank	County	Hotline Calls for Child Abuse/Neglect per 1,000 Children
1	St. Louis MSA	25.45
2	Columbia MSA	35.89
3	Kansas City MSA	36.85
4	Springfield MSA	45.44
5	St. Joseph MSA	54.38
6	Joplin MSA	111.18

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect and Family Assessments per 1,000 children by MSA

Rank	County	Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect and Family Assessments per 1,000 children
1	St. Louis MSA	35.15
2	Columbia MSA	38.96
3	Kansas City MSA	44.24
4	Springfield MSA	46.22
5	St. Joseph MSA	67.83
6	Joplin MSA	163.05

Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 children by MSA

Rank	County	Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 children
1	Kansas City MSA	9.51
2	St. Joseph MSA	10.80
3	St. Louis MSA	13.47
4	Columbia MSA	15.63
5	Springfield MSA	16.46
6	Joplin MSA	47.83

Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds by MSA

Rank	County	Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds
1	Kansas City MSA	111.67
2	St. Louis MSA	172.97
3	Springfield MSA	195.12
4	Columbia MSA	221.38
5	St. Joseph MSA	237.47
6	Joplin MSA	454.75

Per Capita TANF Payments by MSA

Rank	County	Per Capita TANF Payments
1	Springfield MSA	\$14.49
2	St. Joseph MSA	\$17.62
3	Columbia MSA	\$19.72
4	Kansas City MSA	\$26.22
5	St. Louis MSA	\$31.96
6	Joplin MSA	\$37.75

Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits by MSA

Rank	County	Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits
1	Kansas City MSA	\$55.41
2	Springfield MSA	\$58.72
3	Columbia MSA	\$62.53
4	St. Joseph MSA	\$64.80
5	St. Louis MSA	\$69.62
6	Joplin MSA	\$133.73

Per Capita Child Care Payments by MSA

Rank	County	Per Capita Child Care Payments
1	Springfield MSA	\$15.28
2	Kansas City MSA	\$24.40
3	Joplin MSA	\$24.94
4	St. Joseph MSA	\$25.50
5	St. Louis MSA	\$32.93
6	Columbia MSA	\$43.33

**Per Capita Child Support Collections by
MSA**

Rank	County	Per Capita Child Support Collections
1	Columbia MSA	\$57.89
2	St. Louis MSA	\$63.11
3	Springfield MSA	\$64.17
4	Kansas City MSA	\$82.06
5	St. Joseph MSA	\$132.42
6	Joplin MSA	\$157.40

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Individual Measures and Rankings:				
Measure	Description	Time Period	Ranking	Source/Link
General:				
Unemployment	Measures the percent of Missouri labor force that was unemployed Missourians Unemployed: 139,722 Missouri Labor Force: 2,970,127	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest unemployment in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Economic Development (Preliminary data - United States Bureau of Labor Statistics) www.ded.state.mo.us
Percent of Poverty	Measures the percent of the Missourians that were at or below 100% of the federal poverty level (FPL) Missourians below 100% of FPL: 637,891 Missourians Counted for Poverty: 5,433,293	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest poverty in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	United States Census Bureau, 2000 Census www.census.gov
Per Capita Income	Measures the average personal income based on Missouri population Missouri Average Personal Income: \$26,404	1999	Geographic areas were ranked in descending order. A geographic area with the highest per capita income in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Economic Development (United States Bureau of Economic Analysis) www.ded.state.mo.us
Percent of Single Parent Households with Children	Measures the percent of Missouri households with children under 18 that were headed by a single parent Missouri Households with Children Under 18 Headed by Single Parents: 202,578 Missouri Household with Children: 699,779	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest percent of households with children in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	United States Census Bureau, 2000 Census www.census.gov
Percent of Births to Unmarried Mothers	Measures the percentage of all Missouri births that were to an unmarried mother Missouri Births to Unmarried Mothers: 26,209 Missouri Births: 75,290	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest births to unmarried mothers in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us
Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18	Measures the percentage of all Missouri births that were to mothers under 18 years of age Missouri Births to Mothers Ages Under 18: 2,938 Missouri Births: 75,290	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest births to mothers under 18 years of age in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us
Percent of Population with High School Graduation	Measures the percentage of students that graduated from high school in Missouri Missouri High School Graduates: 53,648 Missouri High School Graduates and Dropouts: 65,920	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in descending order. A geographic area with the highest high school graduation in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education www.dese.state.mo.us

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Individual Measures and Rankings:

Measure	Description	Time Period	Ranking	Source/Link
Health Care:				
Percent of Children Participating in Medicaid	Measures the percentage of all children who participate in Missouri's MC+/Medicaid program Missouri Children under Age 19 Participating in Medicaid: 492,931 Missouri Children under Age 19: 1,510,168	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest children participating in Medicaid in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us
Percent of Adults Participating in Medicaid	Measures the percentage of all adults ages 19 to 64 who participate in Missouri's MC+/Medicaid program Missouri Adults Ages 19 to 64 Participating in Medicaid: 296,828 Missouri Adults Ages 19 to 64: 3,329,664	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest adults participating in Medicaid in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us
Per Capita Medicaid Dollars Spent	Measures the total Medicaid dollars spent for all service categories divided by the Missouri population Missouri Medicaid Services Expenditures: \$4,005,850,062 Missouri 2000 Population: 5,595,211	2002	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest per capita Medicaid dollars in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Department of Social Services, Research and Evaluation: Annualized Table 4 Data (Not available online)
Percent of Births Paid for by Medicaid	Measures the percentage of all births in Missouri that were paid for by Medicaid Missouri Births Paid for By Medicaid: 30,515 Missouri Births: 75,290	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest births paid for by Medicaid in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us
Percent of Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid by Medicaid	Measures the percentage of all Missouri inpatient hospitalizations that were paid for by Medicaid Missouri Inpatient Hospitalizations Paid By Medicaid: 101,831 Missouri Inpatient Hospitalizations: 680,571	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest inpatient hospitalizations paid for by Medicaid in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us
Percent of Emergency Room Visits Paid by Medicaid	Measures the percentage of all Missouri emergency room visits paid for by Medicaid Missouri Emergency Room Visits Paid By Medicaid: 475,476 Missouri Emergency Room Visits: 1,869,558	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest emergency room visits paid for by Medicaid in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Information for Community Assessment (MICA) www.dhss.state.mo.us

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Individual Measures and Rankings:				
Measure	Description	Time Period	Ranking	Source/Link
Children:				
Hotline Calls per 1,000 Children	Measures the number of child abuse/neglect hotline calls per 1,000 Missouri children Missouri Hotline Calls for Child Abuse and/or Neglect: 55,708 Missouri Children under Age 18: 1,427,692	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest hotline calls per 1,000 in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Children's Services Management Report www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/csfy01.pdf
Probable Cause/Family Assessments per 1,000 Children	Measures the number of children with probable cause child abuse and neglect aggregated with the number of children with family assessments per 1,000 Missouri children Missouri Children with Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect and Family Assessments: 64,606 Missouri Children under Age 18: 1,427,692	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest probable cause/family assessments per 1,000 children in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Children's Services Management Report www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/csfy01.pdf
Children in DFS Custody per 1,000 Children	Measures the number of children in the Department of Social Services, Division of Family Services (DFS) custody per 1,000 Missouri children Missouri Children in DFS Custody: 18,621 Missouri Children under Age 18: 1,427,692	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest children in DFS custody per 1,000 in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Children's Services Management Report www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/csfy01.pdf
Juvenile Law Referrals per 1,000 12-17 Year Olds	Measures the number of juvenile law referrals per 1,000 Missourians ages 12 to 17 Missouri Juvenile Law Referrals: 84,910 Missouri Children Ages 12 to 17: 492,826	2000	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest juvenile law referrals per 1,000 12-17 year olds in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services, Juvenile Court Statistics www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/juvcy00.pdf

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Total Geographic Score: The total score for a geographic area is based on a composite score of the measures listed under the "general" heading. These "general" measures are aggregated for each geographic area and then ranked against all other corresponding geographic areas. The geographic areas are ranked in ascending order with the lowest aggregate number receiving a ranking of 1.

Individual Measures and Rankings:				
Measure	Description	Time Period	Ranking	Source/Link
Self Sufficiency:				
Per Capita TANF Payments	Measures total Temporary Assistance payments divided by Missouri population Missouri Temporary Assistance Payments: \$142,492,308 Missouri 2000 Population: 5,595,211	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest per capita TA payments in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Family Services, Annual Data Report www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/dfsfy01.pdf
Per Capita Food Stamp Benefits	Measures total Food Stamp benefits divided by Missouri population Missouri Food Stamp Benefits: \$384,962,446 Missouri 2000 Population: 5,595,211	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest per capita Food Stamp benefits in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Family Services, Annual Data Report www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/dfsfy01.pdf
Per Capita Child Care Payments	Measures total child care payments paid for by the Division of Family Services divided by Missouri population Missouri Child Care Subsidy Payments: \$130,941,209 Missouri 2000 Population: 5,595,211	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest per capita child care payments in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Family Services, Annual Data Report www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/dfsfy01.pdf
Per Capita Child Support Collections	Measures child support collections administered by the Department of Social Services, Division of Child Support Enforcement per Missouri population Missouri Child Support Enforcement Collections: \$403,122,972 Missouri 2000 Population: 5,595,211	2001	Geographic areas were ranked in ascending order. A geographic area with the lowest per capita child support payments in the state would receive a ranking of 1.	Missouri Department of Social Services, Serving the People of Missouri-Program and Service Delivery www.dss.state.mo.us/re/pdf/serv01.pdf

Additional Data Used:			
All Population Data Missouri 2000 Population: 5,595,211	2000		www.census.gov
Metropolitan Statistical Area or MSA	<p>Metropolitan Statistical Area or MSA is defined by the United States Office of Management and Budget according to published standards that are applied to Census Bureau data. According to the 1990 standards, each new qualifying MSA must include at least: one city with 50,000 or more inhabitants, or a Census Bureau-defined urbanized area (of at least 50,000 inhabitants) and a total metropolitan population of at least 100,000 (75,000 in New England).</p> <p>Under the standards, the county (or counties) that contains the largest city becomes the "central county" (counties), along with any adjacent counties that have at least 50 percent of their population in the urbanized area surrounding the largest city. Additional "outlying counties" are included in the MSA if they meet specified requirements of commuting to the central counties and other selected requirements of metropolitan character (such as population density and percent urban).</p> <p>For the MSA Fact Sheets, only Missouri counties are used to present the measures.</p>		www.census.gov